

HOUSE No. 2713

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Stephen R. Canessa

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act establishing a tax and fee structure advisory commission.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Stephen R. Canessa	12th Bristol
John F. Quinn	9th Bristol
Antonio F.D. Cabral	13th Bristol
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth
Robert M. Koczera	11th Bristol
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Mary E. Grant	6th Essex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX AND FEE STRUCTURE ADVISORY COMMISSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. There is hereby established a commission to be known as the Massachusetts Tax
2 and Fee Structure Advisory Commission to consist of 12 members, 1 of whom shall be the
3 commissioner of the department of revenue, who shall be chairman, and his designee, the
4 secretary of administration and finance or his designee, the secretary of executive office of
5 housing and economic development or his designee, the president of the senate or his designee,
6 the speaker of the house of representatives or his designee and 6 persons to be appointed by the
7 governor 4 of whom shall possess practical experience with the Commonwealth's tax and fee
8 structure and be non-governmental officials, 1 of whom shall be a representative of the
9 Massachusetts Tax Foundation and 1 of whom shall be a representative of the Massachusetts
10 Municipal Association. Each member shall serve without compensation.
- 11 The commission shall review our state and municipal tax and fee structures and make
12 recommendations on how we can improve said structure. The commission shall make advisory
13 recommendation simultaneously to both the governor and the general court with their findings
14 within 6 months following the creation of said commission.